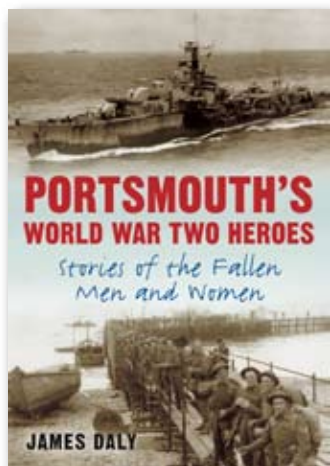


Hampshire Book of the month



Portsmouth's World War Two Heroes Stories of the Fallen Men and Women

By James Daly

Based on the research into 2,549 servicemen and women from the city, Portsmouth's World War Two Heroes uncovers a variety of stories that have never before been told—such as a naval bomb disposal Petty Officer awarded the George Cross, a 16 year old Para and a Battle of Britain hero; as well as men killed in Battleships, Submarines, Bombers and Tanks across the globe. Looking into the often ignored units such as the NAAFI and women at war, history graduate James Daly tells the stories of individuals and units from every corner of historic Portsmouth.

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Facts for funds

Andover Baptist Church recently hosted a fun-packed Quiz Night in aid of burns charity, The Katie Piper Foundation www.katiepiperfoundation.org.uk and raised a total of £1,303.

120 people took part and were challenged by Quizmaster Ron Caddy's questions, which tested the general knowledge of all taking part. The winners celebrated their success by accepting a pack of note cards to invite friends to next year's event, so that money for prizes could go instead to the Foundation.

"This is the third event that Andover Baptist Church has organised to support The Katie Piper Foundation, places for our Quiz Night sold out quickly and we all had a fantastic, fun-filled evening. We're so pleased to be able to support The Katie Piper Foundation again and are already planning next year's event" said Marina Caddy, who organised the event with her husband Ron and the ABC Charity Team.

Head of Fundraising at The Katie Piper Foundation, Carol Borwick commented, "We're so grateful to Andover Baptist Church for organising these events on our behalf and thanks in



particular to Marina and Ron Caddy for coordinating the Quiz Night. The money raised will help us make a positive difference to burns survivors through life-changing treatments and workshops".

Launched in July 2010, The Katie Piper Foundation is a registered charity which aims to make it easier for people to live with burns and scars by; progressing extended rehabilitation and scar management for burns survivors, providing information on and access to non-surgical treatments for burns and scars, campaigning for consistent clinical care and developing a support network for people living with burns and scars. The Foundation helps disfigured people to reconnect with their lives and their communities. Donations can be made at The Katie Piper Foundation website: <http://www.katiepiperfoundation.org.uk>.

Back from the brink

In August 2011, Thea Simon was 3mm from being paralysed for life after being hit by a car during a charity bike ride from London to Southampton. But with the help of her fitness trainer Andy from Macksfitness, she has made an astonishing recovery and has just completed a Horseplay event that saw her run 12km through water and over obstacles in just over an hour and a half. Thea was originally raising money for Southampton Hospital charity and MacMillan Cancer before the accident, but her recent success in the Horseplay race has seen her confidence rise and she is hoping to continue her fundraising throughout the year.

She says, "I was looking forward to the race but once I got to the sight I felt the nerves. I didn't know what to expect but I just thought I had to do what I can do. Luckily, I had Andy running with me to give me support but it was so far the most difficult physical activity I have done, and running over the finishing line after the accident in August last year felt like a great achievement." To support Thea in her fundraising you can visit <http://uk.virginmoneygiving.com/team/T2TChallenge201>

